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# LIQUAHINJ

## PRICE CORRECTION

Through Error Last Week, we failed to state that the 25 cent price on LIQUAHINJ was an introductory price good only on orders mailed before February 1st.

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The use of rubber cement for mounting postage stamps has been known to some stamp collectors for many years. It is used extensively in the art departments of Photo Engraving establishments where it is necessary at times to paste or mount paper on the face of photographs or other pictures and yet know that the same may be removed without injury to the picture or photograph. Rubber cement is the only known adhesive which can be safely and satisfactorily used for such purposes.

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## Numerals of Value

Floyd R. Gellerman

ONE good thing has resulted from the depression at least. Those of us who cannot afford to spend a great deal for additions to our collections can still derive considerable enjoyment from the hobby by a closer study of the stamps we already possess. And there are a great many things about these stamps upon which we might well meditate. Take, for instance, the numerals of value appearing upon the majority of stamp issues. Have you ever given them much thought? Neither had I until one evening recently they were called especially to my attention by an article I was reading and it was not long until the article in question was entirely forgotten, temporarily, in my aroused interest in these rather prosaic parts of the designs. How much of national characteristics are revealed in these numerals. What peculiar errors occasionally occur. How well some of them fit into the accompanying designs and how entirely separate from the design others are. I am indeed grateful to the author of the article that prompted my investigation for opening up an entirely new vista of philatelic conjecture and appreciation.

To begin let us take the recent issues of Great Britain. Not that they are particularly good examples of what the ideal numeral should be, for in my opinion they are not. The most that can be said for them is that they do interpret the traditional British stiffness. One cannot imagine a gay camaraderie with these figures. They reek with the stern and aloof atmosphere of palace corridors rather than the warm friendships engendered by the "better 'ole."

On the ha' penny we come face to face with a mathematical paradox. "One Half" has always given me the

impression of something being divided into two equal parts, and yet here we have the "1" occupying but half the space allotted to the "2". The ones, twos and threes are all very stiff and formal. They remind one of evening attire rather than the informal but far more comfortable fishing jeans. The four prompts a seige of hiccuppy laughter. A long, lean, lanky chap on stilts. Whoops! If he

right and ambitious, possessing a faith in the future that cannot be shattered, so we think. But by the time we have reached the ripe old age of 5/- we are shrunken in spirit and bowed down in a disreputable old age. Pardon me while I wipe away a salty tear.

The numerals on the Empire Exhibition varieties are a pleasing contrast to the regular series. They are

## New Imperf Byrd Sheets

The Post Office Department will issue a special imperforated and unguumed sheet of six "Byrd Little America" stamps in conjunction with the National Stamp Exhibition, to be held February 10-18 at Rockefeller Center, New York City.

The new stamps will be printed at the National Stamp Exhibition by employees of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. They will be obtainable at face value only at the Post Office Department's branch philatelic agency at the Exhibition, and will not be placed on sale at post offices throughout the country. Following the New York exhibition the new Byrd stamps will be placed on sale at the Philatelic Agency in Washington.

stubs his toe, look out! The fives, sixes and sevens are also cold and lifeless, with the head of the five bowed down with grief. The eight is the best of the lot. And imagine getting chummy with that nine, with a slap on the back and a gay "Cheerio, old topper! How's tricks?" Wouldn't he squelch you with an icy stare?

The high values clearly reveal the evils of a misspent life. Starting life at the tender age of 2/6 we are up-

The new Byrd issue will comprise the smallest commemorative sheet of postage stamps ever issued by the Post Office Department, each sheet being approximately three and one-half inches by three and three-quarter inches in size. The inscription on the four borders of the "Byrd Little America" sheet will read: "Printed by the Treasury Department, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, under authority of James A. Farley, Postmaster General, New York, New York, February 10-18, 1934—In compliment to the National Stamp Exhibition of 1934." The stamps will be blue in color and will have a face value of eighteen cents per sheet.

almost ideal. It is regrettable that there were not more of them. But when the Postal Union set arrived the numerals had again degenerated. Gaze with sober mein, if you can, upon those twos. When winter comes! A stretch of icy walk, a quick run, and here we go! . . . Boom! Ah, I guess I'm not as young as I once was. But weren't those stars beautiful?

How often do we find different styles of letters occurring in the same



balloon. And when the 1875 Egyptian five para stamp was engraved the engraver must have stood on his head to carve out the numeral of value.

The 10 k stamp of the 1919-1920 issue of Latvia reminds one of the inebriated gentleman whom the policeman found leaning up against a lamp post. The kind hearted copper questioned him as to how far he was from home and he replied, "Two more lamp posts."

A pile driver must have landed on the half penny and one penny values of the 1932 Cook Islands sets. Something ought to be said about the "4" on the four pence stamps of these same sets but I don't know what. They are rather odd.

Getting down to the Goya issue of Spain, the higher values of this set are reported to possess a finely drawn type of numeral. Some day I've got to get my mind back on my work and really ascertain the veracity of those reports.

And while we're looking at Spain, how finely in keeping with the design is the numeral of value on the twenty centimos Barcelona Special Delivery issue of 1929. Could you conceive of a closer affinity than that? It's perfect.

The evening is spent, how valuably I refuse to consider, but at least I have enjoyed this ramble through my collection with the numerals of value as the chief exhibit.

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## Saunders Fraud in New York

Word is at hand from Mr. W. Edward Dickinson, New York City Representative of Linn's Weekly stating that the Saunders advertisement was offered the New York American and that Mr. Pollock, editor of the stamp page in that paper spotted the ridiculousness of the prices and refused the copy. Saunders then sent the advertisement to the New York Sun, it being sent through an advertising agency and went direct to the composing room without going through the office of the stamp editor, and was thus printed.

The L.A.W. therefore obtained a room next to Saunders and arranged to have his mail stopped. Monday morning when he showed up to get his mail, he was pinched. It was ascertained that he did not possess a single stamp. Over forty letters with remittances therein were taken in the first mail delivery.

Our New York Representative remarks, "As things turned out, guess if the SUN had not slipped, and the ad had not been published, the fellow would still be trying to get away with things."

As a matter of fact, Linn's Weekly wrote New York Postoffice Officials as well as Washington Inspectors over three months ago and gave them conclusive proof of the crookedness of this man.

## National Stamp Exhibition of 1934

The National Stamp Exhibition of 1934, sponsored by the New York American, one of the greatest newspapers of the country, will be held in the RCA Building, Rockefeller Center, New York, February 10th to 18th. Prospectuses and rules for the exhibition are now ready and anyone interested in exhibiting can secure a copy of same by addressing the Director of the Exhibit, Mr. Eugene L. Pollock, c/o New York American, 220 South Street, New York, N. Y.

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441	.05	604 .02
447	.35	605 .03
448	.04	606 .04
452	.03	*611 .05
457	.40	612 .10
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489	.06	615 .08
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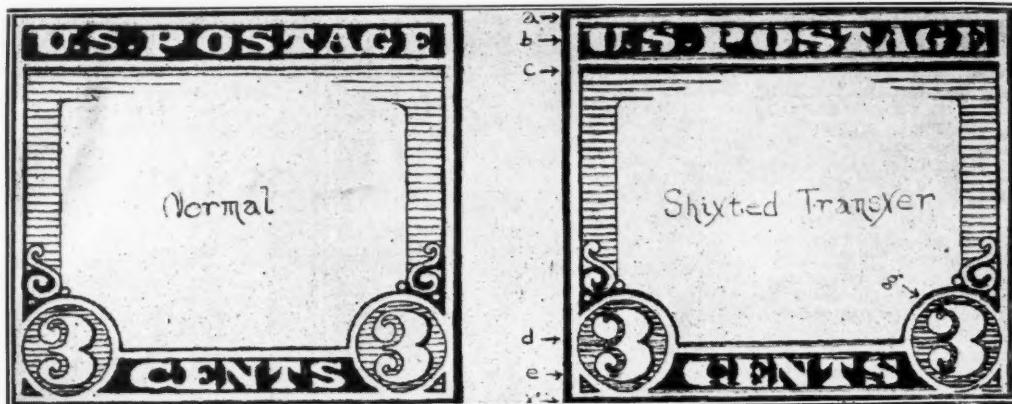
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## Stamp Studies

### 3 Cent Victory Shifted Transfer

By Floyd R. Gellerman

Lovers of shifted transfers on the stamps of the United States find a rich field for their endeavors in the three cent Victory stamp issued in 1919 to commemorate the conclusion of the World War. Nearly every plate contains a few shifts while several

plates, noticeably plates number 9415 and number 9428, are practically all shifted.

However I have a single copy of a very strong downward shift whose plate position I have thus far been unable to ascertain. Practically every line of the design is strongly shifted, the lettering and border being especially noticeable. The sketch illustrates the particular points of interest as follows.

- a.—Strong shift in top frame line.
- b.—Shift shows clearly in top lettering.

- c.—Uppermost horizontal shading line completely obliterated.
- d.—Numerals of value show shift clearly.
- e.—Strong shift in bottom lettering.
- f.—Shift in bottom frame line.
- g.—Parts of centre design show in white space above numeral tablet.
- h.—Distinctive markings in lower right corner. Strong line below the numeral tablet and an additional line below the small triangle in the lower right corner.

## Another Chicago Fraud

A party using the name of "O. Nagel" with an address of 101 So. Wells St., Chicago, has been soliciting stamps from dealers advertising in various philatelic papers and dealers who have sent stamps have found that they will have difficulty in getting them back.

It appears that there is an Otto Nagel, partner in a stamp business at 4060 Warwick Street, Chicago. This man is a member of the Society of Philatelic Americans, No. 7030. The other Nagel at the Wells Street address has solicited stamps from dealers and has used the name of O. Nagel and the society number of Otto

Nagel, so says Frank L. Coes, Secretary of the S. P. A.

Chicago Postoffice Officials state that more than 40 registered letters were held up in Chicago when it was discovered that this racket was being worked. The Postoffice at Chicago had notified Otto Nagel that there were a large number of registered letters at the Chicago office for him. Mr. Nagel called at the office and found that the letters were not for him and thus the fraud was discovered.

It is probable that all who sent stamps registered will receive their goods back, while unregistered letters delivered at the Wells Street address may be lost.

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## Rubber City Stamp Club Rewards Old Officers

At the January 4, meeting of the Rubber City Stamp Club of Akron, Ohio, the members of this club surprised Walter T. Poppenger, past president of the club by presenting him with a beautiful Hamilton Wrist Watch, while at the same time Miss Anna M. Schafer was presented with a white gold filagree bracelet set with a diamond.

Larry Lovejoy made the presentation speech and both Pop and Ann were overcome with the appreciation that was shown by their club members for the service they had rendered the club in the past years.

At this meeting, the new officers were installed and Miss Schafer was appointed publicity manager for the club.

## Stamp Collecting Gains Many Enthusiasts

It is not generally realized that the number of stamp collectors in the United States runs well into the millions. Many nationally known business and professional men continue to build up their stamp collections with all the avidity they displayed in their youth. It is a hobby that works a tremendously beneficial influence on the mind—a conviction that has

been expressed by many eminent physicians.

For the beginner in stamp collecting it is essential that he make contacts with reputable dealers only, who can lend him valuable assistance and expert, disinterested advice in accumulating stamps that are distinctly worthwhile. We feel not the slightest hesitancy in recommending highly the Uptown Stamp Company, at 140 West 42nd Street, New York City. The president of this firm, Samuel D. Stryker, is known to dealers and collectors throughout the country as an authority on stamps and autographs.

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## A Real Postmaster General

From Bob Richardson of Akron, Ohio, there comes a clipping out of the December 31, Akron Times which tells of the revolution in Argentine.

"A rebel band of 150 men armed with machine guns, attacked the post office at Paso de Los Libros today but was repulsed by the postmaster and eight soldiers. Casualties of one dead and two wounded there, set the official figures at 11 dead and 24 wounded."

Bob remarks, "something like this is apt to happen at the Philatelic Agency (Chicago too?) if our favorite stickers aren't dished out quicker. Anyhow it shows Argentine postmasters can draw six shooters as well as their pay. When a post master and 8 soldiers can beat off 150 rebels with machine guns, that's a new high of something or other in postal history. That guy is a postmaster 'General' in fact if not in name."

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614	—	.06	—	.07	.03	.11	729	—	.05	.20	
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## » Editorials »

**LOCAL STAMP CLUB NEWS** One of the most difficult tasks that confronts the editor of a stamp collectors publication is to handle the many letters that come to his desk with information as regards the various local stamp clubs and societies.

Doubtless, to every member of such a club, the doings and activities of your club are of much interest to you and that is as it should be, for if such is not the case then there is something wrong with your club and something should be done to make it of more value and interest, for in no way can you get greater pleasure and benefit from your collecting activities than through a good local stamp club.

However, too much of the mail that comes to our office on the subject of local stamp clubs merely states that the club meets on such and such dates, that a good time was had at the last meeting, that so and so read a paper on a certain subject and that such and such men were elected to office.

Should we print all of the copy that we receive in each week's mail as regards local stamp clubs, most of the copy of which is no more informative than as outlined above, it would require fully half our space to include it as sent to us. For that reason when we have printed matter of this sort we have attempted to boil it down, leaving out any matter that we do not consider of interest to collectors

in your immediate neighborhood or to visiting collectors.

Even then, in most instances we feel that we are using space that would best be devoted to other matters, for there are but a few cities in the country whose local stamp clubs are large enough and draw from a territory large enough to warrant publication of their affairs in any publication with a national circulation.

For some years past, certain large local clubs have been in the habit of holding large annual open house meetings. Those affairs a few years ago were the only ones of their kind. At that time it was fitting that they should be announced in a broad way for they drew visitors from many other cities.

Today, most every club of any consequence uses its annual meeting as an open house meeting and invites collectors from anywhere to attend.

It is therefore getting to be such a common thing that there is hardly a week goes by but that we receive two or three lengthy accounts of such proposed meetings or stories of their activities after they are over.

As much as we regret to do so, we shall be obliged to omit much of this material and devote our space to other subjects, subjects which we believe will be of more general interest to our readers.

Large cities like Chicago, New York and some cities in other localities which draw heavily from surrounding territory have a reader circulation in our paper of from 1000 to 2000 papers which go to collectors within their immediate territory. In such instances we do feel that some space should be given to open house announcements for clubs so situated.

We believe that there is a field in which we can do something for the local stamp clubs but the local stamp clubs must assist in this matter.

Doubtless your club has had at some time a novel entertainment feature, some such affair as could be copied by some other club and used as an entertainment feature.

We believe that if secretaries or some member of a club would submit a thorough outline of such an event, in such manner that we could print it so that other clubs might copy the idea for the entertainment of their members, that much good could be done.

An interchange of ideas, plans and activities within your club with other clubs will benefit other clubs and such information as other clubs supply us for publication will likewise benefit your club.

We therefore ask stamp club officers to see if there is not a means whereby some member of their club can supply us with information of this sort. We believe that an interchange of ideas along this line would be beneficial for all.

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Mr. August P. Wilkens of West Englewood, N. J., submits a list of recent plate numbers of Commemorative Stamps. A portion of the numbers are taken from pieces in his collection while others are from a list as supplied by the Bureau. Mr. Wilkens adds the remark that he knows of no New York Dealer who has seen Century of Progress imperfs from plates 21143 and 21144, altho these numbers are on the Bureau list. (Perhaps a further printing of these sheets of which the original announcement said but 250,000, would be printed. If this assumption is correct it would indicate another run of 250,000 making a total of probably 750,000 sheets of each value.)

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Los Angeles, Calif.—No. 87, 17c ord.  
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Brooklyn, N. Y.—No. 85, 14c ord.  
Reading, Pa.—No. 121, 1c coil

If any one should be in doubt about the rapidly growing popularity of precancels and Buro Prints he doesn't read the Philatelic Press. Mekeel's, Hobbies, Stamps all have articles on the subject, and one other has an article entitled "Romance of Precancels".

An interesting letter from Hanson C. Miller, Grafton, W. Va., with an offer of help on some of my wants. Will certainly take advantage of his offer as he advised me his old type is complete except two. A real collection, I would say.

I am advised of a real variety on the 1½c FV Coil from Columbus. The "B" has been injured in such a way it appears to be much smaller type, altho a perfect "B". Would like to hear more on this.

Something worthwhile. Received a copy of the Golden Gate Precancel Society "Bulletin" and must say that it contains lots of worthwhile information. Also expect to put in an application and try to become a member. If a Buro or Precancel collector, would suggest you send your application.

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E. H. Brennecke reports that the USS MACON will leave Moffett Field, on April 9th, for flight back to the Atlantic Coast returning Nov. 15th, and also that the Los Angeles may again be re-commissioned for duty, all of which will likely bring covers. By the way, Clyde Welch, Cachet Director of Chamber of Commerce, Oakland, Cal., offers to hold covers for Macon events, but be sure to mark wrapper for those events.

Covers received: Jan. 8th, Dedication of Monroe, La. Post Office from J. W. Cunningham; Jan. 1st, Tournament of Roses from David Browne; Jan. 6th, from Va. Historical Research Assn. cover postmarked at White House, Va., in memory of 175th Anniversary of marriage of Washington and Martha Custis; Jan. 3d, from Francis H. James cover postmarked at Moffett Field, Cal., for 4th flight of USS MACON on maneuvers over Southern Cal. waters; Jan. 6th, from H. E. Richmond covers for the visit of the MACON over that city. The last two bear fine cachets.

**New York Stamp Bourse**

The first New York Stamp Bourse held in December was a very successful affair and plans are on foot for a January Bourse which will be held in larger quarters and with better facilities. A committee is working on plans to perpetuate this Bourse and announcement will be made when these plans are perfected. At this writing the place of meeting has not been made known but it is believed that it will be in one of the hotels in the Times Square section, and during the third week of January.

At future meetings of the bourse there will be tables for both retail and wholesale dealers as well as collectors, traders and exchanges.

**Midget Stamps**

Many collectors have experimented with various acids to alter colors of stamps, it being well known that greens can be turned black, purples can be turned to red and other freak colors readily made.

Another interesting experiment is to take one of the current black stamps, such as the 17c Wilson or the 7c Bicentennial and put it in lye.

The paper of these stamps is mostly wood fibre and immersion in lye will quickly shrink the stamp to a quarter or a third under its normal dimensions, thus producing a midget stamp which when exhibited to other collectors will cause much comment.

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I believe I was handed a precancel the other evening that will bid fair to be a good one. It was a 9c ordinary perf.  $10\frac{1}{2} \times 11$  from Battle Creek, Mich. in type III. The last item listed in the catalog under type III is the 3c offset. None of the current issue had been precanceled up until the time of the publication of the 1930 catalog, and I have neither seen or heard of any others till I picked this item the other night. There, no doubt, is an interesting story why they resurrected this old electro that had not been used for a dozen years or more and started precancelling stamps with it. I would like to hear from my readers who have other denominations in this type. Type III does not come under the U-types, but is a double line affair, the outside lines both above and below are much heavier than the inside ones. Battle Creek, Mich., is in three lines in an 8-point Roman type of some sort with very extended serifs.

From Earrol Laney, Mansfield, La., comes the most interesting stamp of the week. It is a  $\frac{1}{2}$ c ord. from BALL GROUND, GA., in U-121. Mr. Laney also shows me a 11c double invert from Shreveport, La., in U-3. L. G. Williams of Bradford, Pa., submits these interesting items. A 5c Olympic from Elmira, N. Y., U-2, NRA New Britian, Conn., U-121 down, 1c C. of P. from Mount Morris, Ill. in U-5 up, 1c C. of P. McDonald, Pa., U-120 up and across, 2c Bi-Cent., Perth Amboy, N. J., U-121 but no lines, or is this some other type?

From R. W. Ellenberger comes a pamphlet with a 1c C. of P. from Beverly, Kans., in U-120 up, by the way, this is the man that sent me the Kosciuszko from Beverly, and I misspelled the name. The Wholesale Stamp Mart of Carroll, Iowa, shows me a 1c C. of P. from East Penbrooke, Mass., in U-71 down, NRA of Red Wing, Minn., U-120 down, also an 8c Bi-Cent. A 3c C. of P. from Joplin, Mo., U-74 down. My own pick ups recently were a 1c C. of P. from Zanesville, Ohio, in U-121 up and a 5c Olympic from Waterloo, Ia., U-10.

Robert Minton of Ontario, Calif., donates the Ed. a  $1\frac{1}{2}$ c Bi-Cent. of the home town in U-14. Bob wants to know, hows come we don't mention western and west coast precancels more? Now I'll ask one. Hows come

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## Peru—Punch Cancellation

The collector who is desirous of perfect condition, will receive an awful blow, when trying to secure used copies of values above the 50c, in stamps of Peru.

In 1924, orders were issued by the authorities, to punch, as well as cancel all values above the 20c, to prevent their being cleaned and used again. This order applied to all small offices where the use of high values are limited, and when we understand such values are not sold over the counter (usually) but placed on Parcel Post packages or Registered letters, when same are brought to the Post Office, we can begin to understand how widespread such an order would be. However, this order did not apply to Lima, or a few other large cities. It might be noted here that such an order was the result of the appearance of a number of large blocks of the low values stamps, as persons did not care to go to the office to mail their package and would place a number of small stamps on equal to the required amount of postage.

Scott's No. 247 and No. 248 are known punched. No. 249 is believed to exist in that condition, but the few copies so far in existence have been faked. Copies of these stamps, punched, tied to cover are quite scarce.

In 1930, the practice of cleaning and re-using high values had become so wide spread, that orders were issued, restricting the sale of the 1 and 2 sol. values and a check on the sale of the 50c, until only known business concerns were permitted to purchase large supplies, all others being forced to take their mail to the P. O., when such values were needed, at which time the postal clerks punched the stamps and placed them upon the mail.

Scott's Nos. 281, 282, 298, 299, exist punched, No. 281 and No. 298, being quite common both punched and unpunched. The 1 sol. values, however are very scarce unpunched, the average being about 1 out of every 100 used. (In view of the small number printed, present catalog prices are no guide to value). Nos. 304, 312 and 313 are even more difficult to obtain unpunched. No. 304 has been sold out and out of general use for approximately nine months and to date the average unpunched found is about 1 out of 150. Nos. 312 and 313 the scarcity has been so great that no comparison can be made.

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E. H. Brennecke reports that the USS MACON will leave Moffett Field, on April 9th, for flight back to the Atlantic Coast returning Nov. 15th, and also that the Los Angeles may again be re-commissioned for duty, all of which will likely bring covers. By the way, Clyde Welch, Cachet Director of Chamber of Commerce, Oakland, Cal., offers to hold covers for Macon events, but be sure to mark wrapper for those events.

Covers received: Jan. 8th, Dedication of Monroe, La. Post Office from J. W. Cunningham; Jan. 1st, Tournament of Roses from David Browne; Jan. 6th, from Va. Historical Research Assn. cover postmarked at White House, Va., in memory of 175th Anniversary of marriage of Washington and Martha Custis; Jan. 3d, from Francis H. James cover postmarked at Moffett Field, Cal., for 4th flight of USS MACON on maneuvers over Southern Cal. waters; Jan. 6th, from H. E. Richmond covers for the visit of the MACON over that city. The last two bear fine cachets.

**New York Stamp Bourse**

The first New York Stamp Bourse held in December was a very successful affair and plans are on foot for a January Bourse which will be held in larger quarters and with better facilities. A committee is working on plans to perpetuate this Bourse and announcement will be made when these plans are perfected. At this writing the place of meeting has not been made known but it is believed that it will be in one of the hotels in the Times Square section, and during the third week of January.

At future meetings of the bourse there will be tables for both retail and wholesale dealers as well as collectors, traders and exchangers.

**Midget Stamps**

Many collectors have experimented with various acids to alter colors of stamps, it being well known that greens can be turned black, purples can be turned to red and other freak colors readily made.

Another interesting experiment is to take one of the current black stamps, such as the 17c Wilson or the 7c Bicentennial and put it in lye.

The paper of these stamps is mostly wood fibre and immersion in lye will quickly shrink the stamp to a quarter or a third under its normal dimensions, thus producing a midget stamp which when exhibited to other collectors will cause much comment.

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## Precancels

Information regarding new issues and news of interest on all Precancels, other than Buro Prints, should be sent direct to the Editor of this column.

K. M. GIERHART, BALTIMORE, OHIO

I believe I was handed a precancel the other evening that will bid fair to be a good one. It was a 9¢ ordinary perf. 10½x11 from Battle Creek, Mich. in type III. The last item listed in the catalog under type III is the 3¢ offset. None of the current issue had been precanceled up until the time of the publication of the 1930 catalog, and I have neither seen or heard of any others till I picked this item the other night. There, no doubt, is an interesting story why they resurrected this old electro that had not been used for a dozen years or more and started precancelling stamps with it. I would like to hear from my readers who have other denominations in this type. Type III does not come under the U-types, but is a double line affair, the outside lines both above and below are much heavier than the inside ones. Battle Creek, Mich., is in three lines in an 8-point Roman type of some sort with very extended serifs.

From Earrol Laney, Mansfield, La., comes the most interesting stamp of the week. It is a ½c ord. from BALL GROUND, GA., in U-121. Mr. Laney also shows me a 11c double invert from Shreveport, La., in U-3. L. G. Williams of Bradford, Pa., submits these interesting items. A 5c Olympic from Elmira, N. Y., U-2, NRA New Britian, Conn., U-121 down, 1c C. of P. from Mount Morris, Ill. in U-5 up, 1c C. of P. McDonald, Pa., U-120 up and across, 2c Bi-Cent., Perth Amboy, N. J., U-121 but no lines, or is this some other type?

From R. W. Ellenger comes a pamphlet with a 1c C. of P. from Beverly, Kans., in U-120 up, by the way, this is the man that sent me the Kosciuszko from Beverly, and I misspelled the name. The Wholesale Stamp Mart of Carroll, Iowa, shows me a 1c C. of P. from East Penbrooke, Mass., in U-71 down, NRA of Red Wing, Minn., U-120 down, also an 8c Bi-Cent. A 3c C. of P. from Joplin, Mo., U-74 down. My own picks up recently were a 1c C. of P. from Zanesville, Ohio, in U-121 up and a 5c Olympic from Waterloo, Ia., U-10.

Robert Minton of Ontario, Calif., donates the Ed. a 1½c Bi-Cent. of the home town in U-14. Bob wants to know, hows come we don't mention western and west coast precancels more? Now I'll ask one. Hows come

don't more western collectors write in, show me what they have? All material will be promptly returned. I picked up a western precancel the other day that altho listed is a scarce item among the recent emissions. It was a 14c Pasadena, Calif., with a rubber handstamp imprint and a U-12 imprint both on the same stamp.

## Peru—Punch Cancellation

The collector who is desirous of perfect condition, will receive an awful blow, when trying to secure used copies of values above the 50c, in stamps of Peru.

In 1924, orders were issued by the authorities, to punch, as well as cancel all values above the 20c, to prevent their being cleaned and used again. This order applied to all small offices where the use of high values are limited, and when we understand such values are not sold over the counter (usually) but placed on Parcel Post packages or Registered letters, when same are brought to the Post Office, we can begin to understand how widespread such an order would be. However, this order did not apply to Lima, or a few other large cities. It might be noted here that such an order was the result of the appearance of a number of large blocks of the low values stamps, as persons did not care to go to the office to mail their package and would place a number of small stamps on equal to the required amount of postage.

Scott's No. 247 and No. 248 are known punched. No. 249 is believed to exist in that condition, but the few copies so far in existence have been faked. Copies of these stamps, punched, tied to cover are quite scarce.

In 1930, the practice of cleaning and re-using high values had become so wide spread, that orders were issued, restricting the sale of the 1 and 2 sol. values and a check on the sale of the 50c, until only known business concerns were permitted to purchase large supplies, all others being forced to take their mail to the P. O., when such values were needed, at which time the postal clerks punched the stamps and placed them upon the mail.

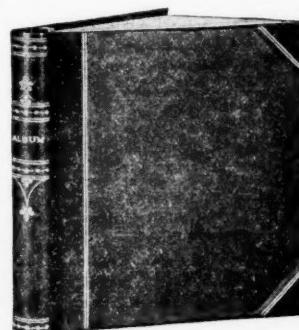
Scott's Nos. 281, 282, 298, 299, exist punched, No. 281 and No. 298, being quite common both punched and unpunched. The 1 sol. values, however are very scarce unpunched, the average being about 1 out of every 100 used. (In view of the small number printed, present catalog prices are no guide to value). Nos. 304, 312 and 313 are even more difficult to obtain unpunched. No. 304 has been sold out and out of general use for approximately nine months and to date the average unpunched found is about 1 out of 150. Nos. 312 and 313 the scarcity has been so great that no comparison can be made.

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Did you know that contrary to gen-  
eral opinion, the first postage stamp  
was not issued in England in 1840,  
and that the 'father of the postage  
stamp' was not Sir Rowland Hill as  
accredited?

That Vladimir shown on a postage  
stamp of Ukrainia was one of the  
first Russian Czars and not a czar  
of the Ukraine?

That outside the U. S. cancellations  
bearing slogans for airmail and  
Christmas, there is but one that has  
been illustrated?

That on the recent 90c. French  
stamp showing Le Puy en Velay, one  
of the rock-pinnacles shows the statue  
of the Virgin which was formed by  
213 CANNON captured by the French  
at Sebastopol?

That the first philatelic record of  
the Hitler Government in Germany is  
not the swastika watermarks on its  
stamps, but the use, in cancellations,  
of the swastika (a cover in my album  
showing this)!

That on the commemorative stamps  
of the 10th anniversary of the Turk-  
ish Republic, the 3k. value for ex-  
ample, is enclosed in a circle that is a  
buzz saw? But Turkey is not a re-  
public but a dictatorship!

That the 1928 and 1929 Swiss pro-  
juvenites reproduce paintings by  
Raphael and Dyckmans?

That King George of England is  
not of the House of Windsor, and that  
that Royal House is purely imagi-  
nary?

That the Swedish stamp to com-  
memorate in 1934, the 50th anniver-  
sary of postal savings banks appeared  
in 1933 though marked and decided  
for 1934?

—Montgomery Mulford.

## Bloomington, Ill.

Collectors of this city have organ-  
ized the Twin City Stamp Club. Meet-  
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Stamps submitted for examination and listing will be returned promptly.

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**CURACAO**—Information as to the designs of other values of the Tercentenary series, first noted in our issue of Dec. 2, 1933, is at hand. 2½c. (Principe Frederik Hendrik); in our issue of Dec. 2nd, this was incorrectly printed as 23c.; 10c. (Jacob Binckes); 21c. (Ship of Van Walbeek).

(Philatelic Magazine)

**Egypt**—The following data arrived just too late to be used in place of our notes of last week. The stamps in question have appeared. Large format, transverse oblong. Wmk. Crown & Crescent, perf. 13½:

5m. red brown  
10m. bright violet  
13m. terra cotta  
15m. dull purple  
20m. bright blue

(R. Roberts)

**FRANCE**—New stamps chronicled in our issue of Jan. 6th.



(P. F. Koch)

**GERMANY—Charity Stamps**—Commemorating 10 years of German Charity stamp issues, as noted in our issue of Dec. 30th. Colors: 5pf. deep green; 10pf. scarlet; 20pf. blue; 50pf. brown.

(R. Roberts)

**GREECE**—The 50 and 100 drs. stamps, which at first had been rejected by the P. O. were placed on sale in Athens Dec. 16th. Copies on which the entering is not misplaced (which was the cause of the stamps not being accepted at first) are very attractive.

(Philatelic Magazine)

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4½x6	.25	9x12	.50

LINPRINT, 20 E. Chestnut St., Columbus, O.

**HUNGARY—Provisional Postage Due**—Surcharge same as Scott's #1305:

D6—10f. on 80f. rose red

(P. F. Koch)

**JAPAN**—The two coil stamps, noted in the news columns of Linn's a few issues back, have been received in England:

1½ sen. blue  
3 sen. carmine

(A. F. Turner)

**LUXEMBURG—1934 Charity**—Photogravure printing, unwmk. perf. 12½. Design as announced in issue of Nov. 4th.

10c. plus 5c. bistre  
75c. plus 10c. royal purple  
1fr. plus 25c. carmine rose  
1.25fr. plus 75c. pale bistre  
1.75fr. plus 1.50fr. deep blue

(R. Roberts)

**NEW ZEALAND**—New Christmas "Health" stamp, placed on sale Nov. 9, 1933. Finely engraved and recess printed in the "Road to Health" design. Wmk. N. Z. and Star, occurring twice in each stamp:

1p. plus 1p. deep carmine

(A. F. Turner)

**PERU**—New color, issued in Oct. 1933:

A111—2c. black brown

Scott's SP9, exists perf. 11½x12; 11½x11½; and 12x12, in addition to perf. noted by Scott.

(F. H. Hawley)

**PORUGAL**—New color, of Geographical Society, for 1934:

F4—blue & carmine

(R. Roberts)

**RUSSIA**—Two more commemoratives are on the way! The latest will bear a reproduction of the Moscow statue of Ivan Fedorov, the printer of the first Russian book and will commemorate the 350th anniversary of this event. Values will be a 20 and 40 kopeks.

(Philatelic Magazine)

**ST. THOMAS & PRINCE ISLANDS**—The new set heralded in our column Nov. 18th, have appeared. Wmk. maltese cross; perf. 11½. Design same as that of Scott's A14 of Angola:

15c. black  
20c. gray  
30c. slate gray  
45c. turquoise  
50c. bistre brown  
80c. emerald  
85c. carmine  
2E. purple  
5E. pale yellow green  
10E. olive bistre

(R. Roberts)

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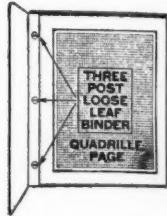
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**What — No Romance?**

By ROBERT H. SMELTZER

In the December 2nd issue of Linn's Weekly Stamp News, Captain Townsend points out that romance in stamp collecting is not dead by any means; nor is it.

For some time past I have been interested in the stamps of a certain country. Hence it was that I was deeply shocked of the news of the death of its monarch some months ago. My newspaper gave a detailed account of his last days on earth, especially of his final journey in an effort to regain his health, which was of no avail. I clipped the newspaper account, which also ran a picture, enclosing it in a letter of condolence addressed to His Majesty the new king, son of the late King.

In my letter I deviated to point out that through my hobby of stamp collecting I had come to know his country and its people pretty well.

As I am a collector of autographs, it occurred to me that perhaps I might receive an acknowledgement signed by the new monarch.

Romance crept in philatelically for in due course of time I received the following letter:

30th October 1933

No. 786  
Mr. Robert H. Smeltzer,  
3432 N. Bodine Street,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I am commanded by His Majesty the King, my august sovereign, to convey to you His Majesty's thanks for your kind condolences on the sad demise of His Majesty King \_\_\_\_\_, His Majesty's illustrious father, and to wish you success and a prosperous life.

Enclosed you will find some stamps.

(Signed) Ali Jawadatt,  
Private Secretary  
to H. M. the King.

The letter-head is fine stationery bearing the Seal of the Kingdom, and a nice lot of twenty-six stamps of the country were enclosed to enhance my collection.

So, with Captain Townsend, I join in the query: "Who said the days of thrills are a thing of the past with our philatelic hobby."

**The Connell Stamp**

Imagine the surprise of the publishers of Linn's when a subscriber writes and makes inquiry about the noted Connell Stamp of New Brunswick and ends his letter by stating, "This man Connell was my grandfather."

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At the installation of officers of the Atlantic City Stamp Club on January 3, William Jordon, Jr., the new Secretary was appointed General Chairman of the Convention Committee. This committee will have charge of the arrangements of the A. P. S. Convention to be held at Atlantic City in August.

A. P. S. members who have occasion to visit Atlantic City prior to the convention are invited to get in touch with Mr. Jordon by telephone or at his home, 126 Atlantic Ave. Visiting collectors will be welcomed at the meetings of the club on the first and third Wednesdays each month, at Hotel Madison.

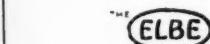
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The British post office has ended the past year with a surplus estimated at almost ten million pounds. This is in spite of the depression there and also additional costs for postage. Seven billion postage stamps were sold during 1933. The record of the post office is credited to Sir Stephen Tallents, press agent, recently made Public Relations Officer.

The Part 2 of British Africa of the famous collection of the late Frederick de Copet was sold by J. C. Morganthau & Co., Inc., of 23 West 47th Street, on Jan. 9th and 10th. Splendid stamps of this group.

A new concern is the Stamp League, Inc., at 45 West 45th St.

Dealers and collectors here were shocked to hear of the death of the son of Walter S. Scott, the well known auctioneer. Mr. Scott's son was John Walter Scott, residence Wantagh, L. I., and he died in his 24th year. He had graduated from Dartmouth CUM LAUDE at the age of 20 years. He had been sick for some years, and passed away on December 10th, 1933.

Marx Brothers in Duck Soup on the radio get off some merry quips, Groucho while sitting on a couch with a beautiful maiden in a finely decorated room remarks wistfully, "Just to think I have been a stamp collector for three years." We don't blame you under the circumstances, Groucho, but if you kept at your stamps there is less trouble than with the sirens.

Alice in wonderland, just let me understand. You've seen all kinds of champs, but never postage stamps.

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